In addition to the above 760 P.V solar water pumping systems and 65 P.V. domestic lighting systems are also installed in the State.

[*Translation*]

Government Advertisements for Newspapers Poblished in Bihar

5167. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the dailies, weeklies, fortnightlies and monthlies published from Bihar which have been found suitable for giving advertisements by D.A. V.P.; and

(b) the names of the dailies, weeklies, fortnightlies and monthlies of Bihar given advertisements by D.A.V.P during the last three years and the amount thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BRODCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). There are a very large number of dailies, weeklies, fortnightlies and monthlies published from Bihar which have been found suitable for giving advertsements by D A V.P. over the years. The list containing names of publications from Bihar which have been currently found suitable for giving advertisements and those which have been have been given advertisements during the last three years is placed in the Library of the Parliament House.

During the last three years, advertisements for a total value of Rs. 115,13,747.76 were issued to publications form Bihar.

[*English*]

Violation of Letter of Intent by Pepsi Foods

5168. SHRI DHARMA PAL SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state

(a) whether Pepsi Foods is netting their obligations in terms of letter of intent and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether letter of intent has not been converted into an Industrial License due to the above reasons;

(c) whether Government propose to enforce the conditions of letter of intent as open decision of the international committee meeting held recently;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps the Government have taken to ensure that interpretation of the conditions does not get violated ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) (a) The issue of export obligation of M/s. Pepsi Foods ltd in terms of the legal Agreement with the office of the Chief Controller of Imports & Exports is under examination in the CCI&E which is a quasi-judicial body

(b) As per the Notification No.8/2/85-LP dated 18 3.1985, the non-FERA non-MRTP Companies stood exempted from the requirement of obtaining industrial license for manufacture of processed foods. However, M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd., had applied for industrial license for their joint venture by way of abundant caution and a Letter of Intent was issued to them. The letter of intent was not converted to Industrial License as it was felt that the Company is yet to fulfill conditions of letter of intent. As per press Note No. 9 of 1991, the pending applications for conversion of Letter of Intent into Industrial Incenses for items not convenned under compulsory licence are not to be processed further.

(c) to (e). The issues pertaiting to the enforcement of the terms is being examined in consultation with Ministry of Law

T.V. and Air Coverage in Himachal Pradesh

5169. SHRI D.D. KHANORIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the present position of Doordarshan and AIR coverage in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether a large portion of the State is not covered by Doordarshan and AIR, and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken for expansion of coverage of the remaining portion of the State?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) *Doordarshan*: The TV service at present, is available to about 58.7% of the population and 37.2% of the area of Himachal Pradesh inclusive of population in fringe areas where elevated antennae and booters are required for obtaining satisfactory reception.

All India Raio: Radio coverage in medium wave is available to 75% of the population and 45% of the area of the State.

(b) and (c). Schemes for expansion of TV coverage in the uncovered areas include setting up of a high power (1KW) TV transmitter at Shimla (in replacement of the present low power transmitter): a low power transmitter at Sunder Nagar and two very low power transmitters on each at Ajhu Fort & Palampur in the State of Himachal Pradesh. Subject to availability or resources, a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter is envisaged to be set up at Dharmashala in replacement of the present low power transmitter there.

Radio coverage in the State of Himchal Pradesh is proposed to be extended by setting up of six more Radio station, one each at Dharamshala, Kinnaur, Laahul Spiti, Kasauli, Kulu and Hamirpur. Besides, the power of the existing 2.5 KW SW transmitter at Shimla is also scheduled to be upgraded to 50 KW.

With the commissioning of these TV/AIR projects, TV/AIR coverage in the State of Himachal Pradesh would improve considerabl.

[*Translation*]

PCOs in Villages of Bihar

5170. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide public telephone facilities in villages of Bihar during the eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated, if any, during 1992-93 ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Out of a total of 11, 678 Panchayat Villages, 3891 have been provided with Telephone facility upto 29.2.1992. Remaining 7787 Panchayat Villages have been planned to be provided with such facility progressively by 31.3.1995 and the non-Panchayat Villages by 2000 A.D. subject to availablity of resources.

The requisite funds for this purpose will be made available as part of eighth plan proposals.